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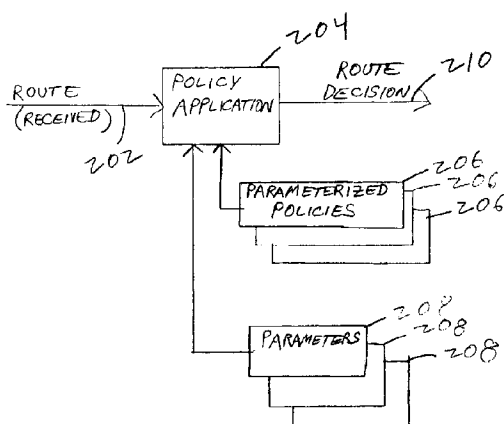
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[APPLICATION OF PARAMETERIZED POLICY]

(57) Abstract: A method and routing system paramterize a routing policy and apply the paramterized-routing policy to a route (Figure 2). Parameters are assigned to at least some policy statements of the policy. The parametrized policy may be called with paramters stored in a parameter table. In some embodiments, common blocks of the policy may identified and assigned parameter sets. A commonized routing policy may be reused with more than one policy.



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